Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Sunday 28 Nov 2021 until 23:59 on Monday 29 Nov 2021

Forecast Issued on Sunday 28 Nov 2021 at 03:30 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for cold, wintry conditions continuing through Sunday then for a return to milder weather through Monday and much of Tuesday. Some uncertainty in the amounts of snowfall early Sunday.

Headline for Sunday 28 Nov 2021: Early morning snowfall clearing south to leave suuny spells. Breezy and cold.

Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 28 Nov 2021

Blizzards Low Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** Low Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Medium Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy snow	Light snow	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Partly cloudy (night)	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
50%	50%	30%	30%	20%	10%

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Weather: Snow showers or a brief spell of more organised snowfall sinking south or southeast across the area early this morning. Winds will be strong enough to give a risk of blizzards even at low levels given recent snowfall. Skies increasingly clear from the north through afternoon leaving some late sunshine.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 30% early morning, 70% afternoon.

Visibility: The cloud could be extensive above 400-600m early morning in association with snowfall. Blizzard conditions possible at most levels. Much improved through afternoon as cloud lifts and breaks from the north although a few patches may linger into the evening.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	31/36 NW	29/34 N	19/23 N	17/20 N	10/13 N	7/9 SW	9/12 SW
900	28/33 NW	27/32 N	16/20 N	14/17 N	8/10 N	7/9 SW	9/11 SW
600	19/24 NW	18/24 N	10/14 N	9/12 N	6/8 NE	6/8 SW	7/10 S
300	4/24 NW	5/25 N	2/14 N	2/11 N	1/7 N	1/6 SW	2/8 SW
Glen	7/18 NW	12/26 N	5/13 N	4/10 N	3/6 NE	2/3 NE	2/4 E

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-3/-12	-4/-14	-5/-12	-5/-12	-4/-10	-4/-8	-4/-8
900	-2/-11	-4/-12	-4/-11	-4/-10	-4/-8	-3/-7	-3/-8
600	-1/-7	-2/-8	-2/-6	-2/-6	-2/-5	-1/-5	-1/-5
300	-0/-2	0/-2	0/-1	-1/-2	-1/-3	-2/-4	-1/-2
Glen	2/-1	3/-2	3/1	2/0	2/0	1/-1	2/1
Freezing Level*	400m	300m	300m	200m	200m	200m	300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Afternoon sunshine will lead to glare off the existing snow cover. Cold with a good chance of poor visibility early in the day.

Forecast for Monday 29 Nov 2021

Weather: Southwesterly then westerly winds will strengthen and bring areas of thicker cloud across all ranges, this falling as snow above 300m or so initially, gradually rising to munro level or above by the end of the day. Rainfall below this will generally be light, but rather persistent and will lead to a gradual thaw of lying snow away from highest levels. Visibility very limited at height.

Maximum wind: Southwest 20-30mph veering West or Northwest 25-35 gusting up to 45mph by the end of the day.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 10% or less.

Visibility: Cloud will quickly become extensive above 400-500m, perhaps lower along the West Coast bringing widely very poor visibility in cloud and snowfall. Lower slopes remaining hazy as snow turns to rain here.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 2 or 3 Celsius rising to 8 Celsius.
At 800m: Minus 5 Celsius slowly rising to plus 2 Celsius by the end of the day.
Freezing level: 200-400m at first, rising above summits through afternoon.

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